



# ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

## AGENDA

General Meeting

Pine Lounge

4/2/2014

7:00PM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Quorum Call
- III. Approval of the Minutes
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Member Comment
- VI. Officer Announcements
- VII. Executive Orders
- VIII. Resolutions for Action
  - a. FA.2014.31 Campus Monuments and Landmarks
  - b. CGA.2014.05 A Resolution Supporting the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act
- IX. Resolutions for Information
  - a. Appropriation for Town Hall Meeting with Dick Durbin
  - b. Resolution in Support of HR 3892
  - c. Bylaw Amendment-Vote For Assembly
  - d. Financial Support—U of I Service Dog
- X. Reports for Information
  - a. FA.2014.30 Dick Durbin Town Hall Advertisements
- XI. Adjournment



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### Special Hearing Minutes

3/19/2014

7:00pm

#### Reading of Charges

President Bolden read aloud the charges brought forth by Senator Seymour and SORF Board Chairman Shao Guo. Charges filed include: 1) Failure to properly hear a formal complaint on the validity of an election. 2) Misrepresentation and improper application of the rules governing referenda questions, as defined in Article IX, Section 1 (B) of the Illinois Student Senate Constitution. Your presence is requested to respond to said charges at the hearing. In addition, a petition filed by the SORF Board charges the CSEC with the following: 1. Insufficiently working with the SORF Board in the SORF elections as evidenced by inaccuracies in the election packet and the lack of publicity efforts for the election 2. Failing to send a budget to the SORF Chair 3. General disapproval with the overall conduct of the CSEC elections

#### Statement from Subject Member(s)

No members of the CSEC were present for comment.

#### Questions from the Illinois Student Senate

There were no members of the CSEC present to answer questions from the ISS.

#### Public Comment

SORF Board Member Shawn Gordon spoke briefly about his interactions with the CSEC this year and his disapproval of their ability to conduct elections.

#### Final Response from Subject Member(s)

No members of CSEC were present.

#### Discussion

Senator Moseley pointed out that he has run for ISS twice, and this year was incredibly sloppy. It was tragic the way the election was handled and all the charges filed are appropriate. Senator Mischiu added to Moseley's comments. He agreed that the election was sloppy. Senator Heller asked if the body felt like if the charges were dropped, will the CSEC reconstitute itself? VPX Ash, answered that there is a possibility that they will. Senator Hill responded to Senator Heller. He asked: would we want them doing the same type of job? Should we encourage them to reconstitute? Senator Bass stated that he believed that we should follow through with all of these charges. Senator Seymour asked how many senators are currently in the body. VPI Baldwin responded that there are 43. Guo pointed out that 2/3 of the senators aren't present. President Bolden reminded senators that we are not voting to remove them, only voting on the charges, which takes a majority. Senator Lear stated that we do not have sufficient numbers to remove, but we do have a quorum, and we can pass the charges. VPX Ash reminded the members that even if we had the necessary 2/3, there are no CSEC members to remove. Senator Ostrowski is concerned that "general disapproval" is not a charge. VPX Ash asked that we still vote on it, since the charges cannot be amended. Senator Seymour agreed. Senator Guo informed the body that the SORF Board passed their charges with a vote of 7-0-2. With no further discussion, the body moved to a vote. Charges were voted upon individually.

#### Voting

Charge 1) Failure to properly hear a formal complaint on the validity of an election. **Vote: 19-0-5.**



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2) Misrepresentation and improper application of the rules governing referenda questions, as defined in Article IX, Section 1 (B) of the Illinois Student Senate Constitution. Your presence is requested to respond to said charges at the hearing. **Vote: 19-0-5.**

SORF Charge 1: Insufficiently working with the SORF Board in the SORF elections as evidenced by inaccuracies in the election packet and the lack of publicity efforts for the election **Vote: 18-0-6.**

SORF Charge 2: Failing to send a budget to the SORF Chair **Vote: 18-0-5.**

SORF Charge 3: General disapproval with the overall conduct of the CSEC elections **Vote: 12-2-10.**

## **Adjournment**

President Bolden adjourned the hearing at 7:40pm.

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Respectfully submitted,  
Jenny Baldwin, Vice President Internal



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### ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE TENTH ASSEMBLY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

#### Minutes of the Illinois Student Senate

A meeting of the Illinois Student Senate was held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 7:40PM in the Illini Union Pine Lounge.

#### **Executive Officers Present:**

Damani Bolden, Carey Hawkins Ash, Jenny Baldwin, Brian Siegel

#### **Staff Present:**

Sarah Hochman, Christopher Boidy, Ron Lewis, Sam Award, Dean Gozum

#### **Quorum Call**

At 7:41PM, President Bolden called for quorum, quorum was met.

#### **Call to Order**

President Bolden called the meeting to order at 7:41PM.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from Feb. 26. It was also moved and seconded to approve the minutes from Mar. 12. The minutes were approved. VPX Ash moved to add *Establishing Campus Monuments and Landmarks* as an item for information. He also asked for unanimous consent that should the body adjourn before addressing the items for information that the items be read into the record. Senator Lear recommended that the President refer the items now. President Bolden referred *Charging Enhancement Stations*, *First Annual Military Appreciation Cookout*, and *Establishing Campus Monuments and Landmarks* to Financial Affairs. Senator Seymour also moved to add *Bylaw Amendment: Organizational Meeting* to items for information. It was referred to Internal Affairs.

#### **Presidential Search Committee Nominations**

VPI Baldwin gave a brief summary of the process. She created an application, which was completed by four individuals: Jaylin McClinton, Mitch Dickey, Diego Espino, and Xavier Ramirez. All candidates were asked to be present at tonight's meeting in order to answer questions about their application. VPI Baldwin explained that Jaylin had notified her that he would be unable to be present, but had authorized Senator Hill to speak on his behalf. President Bolden noted that Mitch's application was 20 minutes late, but by a vote we can accept his application. Senator Guo moved to accept the application. There were no objections. Mitch gave a brief statement about his desire to serve on the Presidential Search Committee and hoped that the body would give him the opportunity. President Bolden announced that the ISS can put forward 4 names; in order to nominate the 4 applicants a vote must be taken. Senator Heller asked if nominations can be taken from the floor. VPI Baldwin requested that they not, since there was an open application period. Advisor Kirts agreed. Senator Lear asked how many names the Vice Chancellor asked the ISS to put forth. Bolden responded that the VSCA's office asked for 4 names. Senator Seymour inquired whether or not ISS is obligated to nominate 4 students. President Bolden said that we are not. VPI Baldwin clarified for Senator Ostrowski that Xavier is a senior returning as a graduate student. Senator Guo asked why the student government does not have the explicit authority to place the students on the committee. Advisor Kirts replied that student government has never had that authority because there's no way to grant ISS access to student records, such as good standing, etc. Senator Heller asked if it would be appropriate to vote on these names individually. VPI Baldwin responded that she would not be opposed to dividing the question. Senator Lear pointed out that the Presidential Search Committee meetings are often held near Chicago's O'Hare airport. Are the candidates aware that they may have to travel? Advisor Kirts informed him that the University takes care of people getting to the interviews.



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Senator McCartney moves to end discussion. Seconded. In a voice vote, the nays won, and debate continued. Senator Lear moves to divide the question, so as to vote on the names individually. Seconded. In a vote of 16-1-2, the motion passed. Senator Hesch asks that the results for individual candidates not be shown until all candidates have been voted on. President Bolden takes a two-minute recess. The members reconvened and President Bolden entertained discussion on Senator Hesch's motion to delay the vote totals. In a vote of 11-7-3, the motion passed. The body then began discussion on Diego Espino's application. Senator Lear expressed is dissatisfaction with the response to question 7. Senator McCartney disagreed; said we have four candidates and four spots. Those who applied should get to serve. Senator Moseley offered similar sentiments; he should be given a chance. Senator Seymour said that the committee needs someone who knows what the President does. Senator Mischiu agreed; said we wouldn't want someone who isn't informed on the committee. Senator Niemark moved to end debate. Seconded. Vote was taken via iClicker. The next application was Xavier Ramirez. Senator Lear asked if anyone knew Xavier personally and would be willing to speak for him. Senators reviewed the application. VPX Ash called to question. Seconded. Motion passes. Vote taken via iClicker. Mitch Dickey's application was reviewed by the senators. He was also present to answer questions about his candidacy. Senator Reinberg moved to end debate. Seconded. Vote taken via iClicker. The last application was Jaylin McClinton's. Senator Hill spoke about Jaylin's interest in the committee. Senator Bass also spoke on behalf of Jaylin. He serves on Academic Affairs and is a great communicator. He urged his colleagues to vote yes. Senator Guo also added that McClinton is a SORF Board member. Debate was ended. Vote taken via iClicker.

Vote totals:

Diego Espinozo: 5-13-6

Xavier Ramirez: 9-6-8

Mitch Dickey: 19-1-4

Jaylin McClinton: 20-0-5

Senator Hesch moved that the vote record be forwarded along with their application.

### **Public Comment**

There were no members of the public that wished to speak.

### **Member Comment**

Senator Bass reported on Engineering Open House, and ISS's involvement. He said it was a remarkable success and the Illinois Student Senate was given an award for Most Innovative Exhibit. Teaching Excellence Awards are April 6 at 6:30pm. He will be emailing everyone, and encourages senators to attend. Senator Niemark wished everyone a safe spring break. Senator Moseley informed the body that the Alma Mater will be returning to campus in April. Senator Heller announced that the application for UC Senate committees will be going out this week. Senator Guo informed the body that the SORF board met last Thursday. The meeting was more interesting than usual. Senator Lear announced that the SEC will be meeting on Monday, April 7. Items for the UC Senate agenda will need to be submitted by 5pm on April 4.

### **Officer Announcements**

Treasurer Siegel announced that Financial Affairs will not meet tomorrow; it was moved tentatively to Monday, March 31. VPI Baldwin announced that she is still working to appoint the remaining campus committees. She answered questions from Senators Ostrowski and Guo regarding the CSEC. Advisor Kirts informed the body that she and President Bolden met with the chair and the Vice Chancellor about the organizational meeting specifically. VPX Ash announced that there will finally be a bill before the body regarding the flag project at the ARC. He also thanked Senator Bass for his work with EOH. He wished everyone a good spring break. Senator Bass asked VPX Ash about any updates on the trustee bill from the General Assembly. VPX Ashe responded that it should be on the House floor within the next 2 weeks. Senator Guo asked about the status of our Director of Communications. VPX Ash responded that



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1 he has been acting in that capacity, given that the term would expire in a few weeks anyway. President  
2 Bolden announced that he is working with Advisor Kirts to come to a solution regarding the CSEC, and  
3 wished everyone a happy spring break.

### 4 **Executive Orders**

5 EXO.2014.06 was introduced by VPX Ash, who explained that currently, colleges do not necessarily  
6 have autonomy over their convocation ceremonies. Senator Heller moved adoption. In a vote of 13-0-4,  
7 the executive order passed. President Bolden handed the chairmanship over to VPX Ash.

### 8 **Resolutions for Action**

9 a) CGA. 2014.05 A Resolution Supporting the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act  
10 Chairman Dickey reported for CGA. Passed out of committee 3-0-1. Moves adoption. Senator Hill  
11 explains that this resolution asks the Illinois delegation in the U.S. House of Representatives to support  
12 the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act. Senator Michiu asked whether or not “not-for-profit” is  
13 defined by national or state standards. Senator Hill was unsure, but believes its state standards. Senator  
14 Heller asks what the negative ramifications are. Senator Hill responded that some may see it as a tax  
15 break. Senator Seymour remarked that there doesn’t seem to be a connection between making these  
16 donations tax exempt and improving safety. Senator Lear asked for a copy of the legislation. Senator  
17 Hesch spoke out in opposition, saying he perceived this to be a special interest tax break. Chairman  
18 Dickey reiterated that we have students at this University who live in non-University housing that could  
19 benefit from this. Senator Vuppuluri moved to table this resolution until the next meeting. Seconded.  
20 Senator Hill asked that senators not table this resolution, as the student who brought it to his attention will  
21 be travelling to DC. He’d like to be able to give it to her beforehand. Senator Lear announced that he will  
22 vote to table because he has not seen the legislation. Senator Baalman asked if Senator Hill has talked to  
23 anyone about the bill other than students; are there any experts who could enlighten the body? Senator  
24 Hill responded that the only person he’s spoken to is the student who brought it to his attention. Senator  
25 Mischiu echoed Senator Lear’s sentiments that he would like to table until he can see the legislation.  
26 Senator Hill remarked that this is not a tax break for Greek housing; all non-University housing would  
27 benefit from this. VPX Ash reminds the body that the debate is on the motion to table. Senator Moseley  
28 moved to end debate. Seconded. In a vote of 13-4-2 the resolution was tabled. VPX Ash handed the  
29 chairmanship over to VPI Baldwin.

30 b) AA.2014.03 Support for Open Textbooks and the Affordable College Textbooks Act  
31 Senator Bass reported that the resolution passed out of Academic Affairs; he moved adoption. Senator  
32 Seymour asked Senator Heller why she voted against the resolution in committee. Senator Heller  
33 responded that she thought it would be better for a position to be created, rather than charge the  
34 committee on Academic Affairs with the task. Senator Hill clarified line 20 on page 2 of the resolution.  
35 Senator Lear said that charging committees with bills is normal. He also asked Senator Hill for more  
36 clarification on “open textbooks”. Senator Hill explains that an open textbook operates under an open  
37 license. Senator Seymour points out the quality of open textbooks. Question was called to end debate.  
38 Motion failed. Senator Hill continued to elaboration on the idea of open textbooks. He restated that the  
39 idea encourages professors to move away from selecting expensive course materials for general education  
40 courses where a free open textbook could be used. Senator Heller moves to amend line 20 so that one  
41 individual is the point person, rather than the committee. Senator Guo speaks in opposition of this  
42 amendment. The amendment passes. Call to question on the entire resolution. The bill passes in a vote of  
43 9-0-8.

44 c) FA.2014.29 Spring Lobby Day Bus Appropriations  
45 Treasurer Siegel reported that the resolution passed out of Financial Affairs. Senator Seymour moved to  
46 amend the resolution to allocate for just 1 bus. Senator Seigel responded that this was not necessary, and  
47 would limit the amount of people who could go. Senator Ostrowski echoes the same sentiments. President  
48 Bolden also agrees. Senator Guo moves to end debate. Seconded. Debate was ended on the amendment.



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1 The motion to reduce the number of busses to 1 failed. Debate continued on the entire resolution.

2 Question was called and seconded. In a vote of 10-4-4, the resolution passed.

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4 President Bolden noted the absence of a quorum. Quorum was not met. VPI Baldwin adjourned the  
5 meeting at 9:40.

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7 Respectfully Submitted,

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10 Jenny Baldwin, Vice President Internal

11 Sarah Hochman, Chief of Staff



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FA.2014.30  
April 2, 2014

**ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE  
TENTH ASSEMBLY**

**SPONSORS:** Chairman Mitch Dickey

**APPROVAL FOR ACTION:** Discharged from Committee on Financial Affairs with a recommendation to pass; Unilaterally

*Dick Durbin Town Hall Advertisements*

**Whereas,** The Ad-Hoc Committee on Student Debt will be hosting a Town Hall on Student Debt with Senator Dick Durbin in April, and

**Whereas,** it is critical that the Student Senate informs students that their representative will be on campus to hear from them on this issue,

**Let it therefore be resolved,** that the funds are allocated for the purchase of digital advertisements for the Dick Durbin Town Hall

Decription	Price per item	Quantity	Sub-Total
Resident Hall Digital Advertisement	\$30	1	\$30
ARC Digital Advertisement	\$30	1	\$30

Total Allocation: \$60



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FA.2014.31  
April 2, 2014

### ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE TENTH ASSEMBLY

**SPONSORS:** Vice-President External Carey Hawkins Ash and Treasure Brian Siegal

**APPROVAL FOR ACTION:** Discharged from Committee on Financial Affairs with a recommendation to pass; 9-0-1

#### *Establishing Campus Monuments and Landmark*

**Whereas,** the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign proudly boasts one of the most diverse student populations in the Big Ten, enrolling nearly 9,000 students from 115 countries around the world, and

**Whereas,** such a diverse Student Body is not easily achieved or retained, and

**Whereas,** the Illinois Student Senate is principally committed to celebrating and encouraging the continued cultural diversification of the Student Body at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and

**Whereas,** the Student Senate finds that Campus Recreation's Activities and Recreation Center (the "ARC") provides the perfect venue for our Campus to *permanently* celebrate the Student Body's diversity in a way that is uniquely identifiable with the University of Illinois, and

**Whereas,** Campus Recreation wholeheartedly agrees and also encourages celebratory displays at both the Campus Recreation Center East (CRCE) and the Ice Arena, and

**Therefore, it is resolved** commemoration would be established by plaque with recommended language put forth by the office of the dean of students with the advice of other campus departments to be ratified by the ISS.

**Therefore, it is resolved** that the Illinois Student Senate, the Official Voice of the Student Body of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, hereby manifests its principled commitment of tangibly supporting and visibly celebrating the continued growth and positive impacts of cultural diversity on campus, by allocating the requested funds to permanently establish the Campus Monuments and Landmarks outlined above.

Description	Price per item	Quantity	Sub-Total
ARC Illinois Cultural Heritage Mural (35'x 15')	\$4,725	1	\$4,725.00
Ice Arena Cultural Heritage Flag (5'x 8')	\$180.00	1	\$180.00
CRCE Cultural Heritage Flag (3'x 5')	\$55.00	1	\$55.00
Flag Shipping	\$10.00	2	\$20.00



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ARC Commemorative Plaques	\$421.00	2	\$842.00
Ice Arena Commemorative Plaque	\$421.00	1	\$421.00
CRCE Commemorative Plaque	\$421.00	1	\$421.00
Plaque Shipping	\$100.00	1	\$100.00

Total Allocation: \$6,764.00

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CGA.2014.05

April 2, 2014

### ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE TENTH ASSEMBLY

**SPONSORS:** Senator Matt Hill

**AUTHORS:** Matt Hill and Hannah Schlacter

**APPROVAL FOR ACTION:** Discharged from Committee on Community and Governmental Affairs with a recommendation to pass; 2-1-1

#### *A Resolution Supporting the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act*

*Whereas*, the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act (H.R. 1449/S. 654) eliminates a distinction in existing tax law that would result in allowing tax-exempt charitable and educational organization to make grants to non-University owned not-for-profit student housing entities that provide collegiate student housing, and

*Whereas*, the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act would make college more affordable at no cost to taxpayers by offering a housing alternative less expensive than University Housing, and

*Whereas*, the Collegiate Housing Infrastructure Act results in safer student housing by encouraging charitable contributions to collegiate housing for the installation of life saving equipment such as fire sprinklers, smoke detectors, and alarm systems, and

*Whereas*, 2,632 students currently live in non-University owned not-for-profit student housing and many of students at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign live in non-university owned not-for-profit housing during their collegiate years<sup>1</sup>, and

*Therefore, Let it be Resolved*, that the Illinois Student Senate support Congressional passage of the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act, and

*Let it be Resolved*, that the Illinois Student Senate thank Congressman Rodney Davis (IL13) and Congressman Adam Kinzinger (IL16) for co-sponsoring the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act, and

*Let it be Resolved*, that the Illinois Student Senate ask the rest of Illinois Congressional Delegation to sponsor the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act, and

*Let it be Resolved*, that the Illinois Student Senate call upon the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Finance to swiftly pass this bill through their respective committees and send it to their respective houses for a full vote, and

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<sup>1</sup> Statistics obtained from the Office of the Dean of Students (<http://www.odos.uiuc.edu/greek/about/greekstatistics.asp>)



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2 *Let it Finally be Resolved*, that a copy of this resolution be sent to each member of the Committee on  
3 Ways and Means and the Committee on Finance.  
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**ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE**  
**TENTH ASSEMBLY**

**SPONSORS:** Tony Fiorentino and the Committee on Student Debt Awareness

**APPROVAL FOR ACTION:**

*Appropriation for Town Hall Meeting with Dick Durbin*

**Whereas**, the Illinois Student Senate will be hosting a town hall meeting with U.S. Senator Dick Durbin in mid April to discuss the student debt crisis,

**Therefore let it be resolved** that the Illinois Student Senate allocates \$500 to fund the printing of a one page flyer to promote the event.

Item	Cost/Item	Qty	Total
Printed flyers			\$500.00

**Total Allocation:**  
**\$500**



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**ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE  
TENTH ASSEMBLY**

**SPONSORS:** Senator Tony Fiorentino

**APPROVAL FOR ACTION:**

*Resolution in Support of HR 3892*

*Whereas*, Student loan debt is the only type of consumer debt in our nation's history to be categorically excluded from protection under our bankruptcy code; and

*Whereas*, Less than 1% of federally guaranteed loans were actually discharged in bankruptcy prior to the enactment of this exclusion; and

*Whereas*, Both the Consumer Bankers Association and the American Bankers Association openly opposed such discriminatory treatment of student loans; and

*Whereas*, The federal government has stripped away numerous other consumer protections from borrowers of student loans, such as statutes of limitation on the collection of such debt, the ability to refinance interest rates, and protection under the Truth in Lending Act; and

*Whereas*, The federal government presently generates a substantial profit from the origination of student loans, while countless borrowers default on their repayment obligations, because such loans are not protected under standard bankruptcy and consumer law; and

*Whereas*, The removal of these basic consumer protections has coincided with an exponential growth in the cost of attending many of our State colleges and universities; and

*Whereas*, The return of these standard consumer protections will require the Department of Education to take its oversight role seriously, reduce the cost of college tuition, and decrease the current default rate; therefore, be it

*Resolved, by the illinois student senate*, that we urge Congress pass to HR 3892, a bill that would restore full bankruptcy protections to all student loans, both private and federally guaranteed, as well as other standard consumer protections, such as statutes of limitation on the collection of student loan debt, the prohibition of wage garnishment to offset student loan debt, and the prohibition on suspensions of professional licenses as a consequence of a student loan default; and be it further



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1 *Resolved*, That we urge the Illinois House of Representatives to pass HR 0620, a resolution  
2 calling on the United States Congress to provide standard bankruptcy protections and other  
3 consumer rights to individuals with student loan debt; and be it finally  
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5 *Resolved*, That suitable copies of this resolution be delivered to the members of the Illinois  
6 congressional delegation, and all members of the Illinois House of Representatives.  
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## ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE TENTH ASSEMBLY

**SPONSORS:** Senator Calvin Lear

### **APPROVAL FOR ACTION:**

*Bylaw Amendment: "Vote of the Assembly" Defined*

**Whereas**, a technical debate has arisen within the Illinois Student Senate on what defines a "vote of the Assembly", as referenced in the *Illinois Student Senate Constitution* and the *Bylaws of the Illinois Student Senate*, and

**Whereas**, such votes have – in living memory – been consistently interpreted as votes of those Senators present and voting either "aye" or "nay", and

**Therefore, let it be resolved** that the Illinois Student Senate adopts the following changes to Article I, Section 1 of its Bylaws (additions, deletions), effective immediately upon adoption:

### **Article I. Definition of Certain Terms**

#### **Section 1. Terms Defined**

C. For all business of the Illinois Student Senate, a "vote of the Assembly" shall be defined as a vote of those Student Senators present and voting either "aye" or "nay".



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### ILLINOIS STUDENT SENATE TENTH ASSEMBLY

**SPONSORS:** Senator Luke Sailer

**APPROVAL FOR ACTION:**

*Financial Support for the University of Illinois Police Dept. for a New Service Dog*

*Whereas*, in early June, Nala, the current university bomb detecting dog will go into retirement and the university will be without a service dog on the police force and will be unable to deter and protect the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to the best of their abilities.

*Whereas*, it is estimated to cost around \$13,000 dollars for a police force to acquire a new service dog to perform different trained tasks because most of them come from Europe.

*Furthermore*, we as a campus community have seen the benefits recently with the potential bomb threat at the Education Building a few weeks ago and just the overall presence of a service dog on our campus is a safety feature for everyone affiliated with the university.

*Whereas*, I would like the Illinois Student Senate to donate \$4,000 dollars to the University of Illinois Campus Police Department to help in their efforts in obtaining a new service dog to continue to serve and protect the campus community and surround area at large.

*Therefore, Let it be Resolved*, the Illinois Student Senate, the Official Voice of the Student Body of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, supports the initiative set forth by our campus police department in efforts to maintain and keep our university and all those associated with it safe. On behalf of the Student Body we would like to assist in these efforts with a monetary donation that would benefit the campus at large for a new service dog to join the police force.